

**\*OGC Has Reviewed\***

Mellon v. Brewer, 18 F.(2d) 168, (C.A., D.C. 1927)  
Cert. den. 275 U.S. 530.

The plaintiff was a Government employee who brought action for libel against the Secretary of the Treasury on the basis of a letter from the Secretary to the President of the United States concerning an investigation of the Treasury Department which plaintiff had been conducting. The plaintiff further alleges that the Secretary released this letter to the press. In upholding the Secretary's right of absolute privilege in connection with his letter to the President, the Court cited the Ainsworth and Vilas cases.